

Delaware County
Soil & Water Conservation District
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Manchester, Iowa 52057

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Annual Report

Financial statement expenditures of funds provided by the State of Iowa for District Commissioners expenses, office supplies, and cost share program.

July 1, 1991 thru June 30, 1992

IM Budget

Original Allocation		\$1,629.00
Commissioners Expense	\$1,129.12	
Office Supplies & Expenses	\$ 481.60	
Total Spent		\$1,610.72
Remaining & Returned to State June 30, 1992		\$ 18.28

IIIM BUDGET - COST SHARE PROGRAM

FY 90-91 Balance Brought Forward 7/1/91		\$29,405.90
Spent in FY 92	-\$16,819.90	
12-31-92 Recalled to State	-\$12,586.00	
1-1-92 Balance		-0-
2-92 Supplemental Allocation		\$16,297.00
92 Uncompleted Obligation	-\$15,252.50	
Remaining June 30, 1992		\$ 1,044.50

FY 91-92 Original Allocation		\$26,623.00
Uncompleted Obligations in FY 92	-\$16,023.50	
Remaining June 30, 1993		\$10,599.50

REAP Practices Cost Share Program

FY 90-91 Balance Brought Forward 7/1/92		\$ 8,480.26
Spent in FY 92	-\$ 8,480.26	
Remaining June 30, 1992		\$ -0-

FY 91-92 Original Allocation		\$ 6,342.00
Uncompleted Obligations in FY 92	-\$ 4,224.50	
Spent in FY 92	\$ 700.00	
Remaining June 30, 1992		\$ 1,417.50

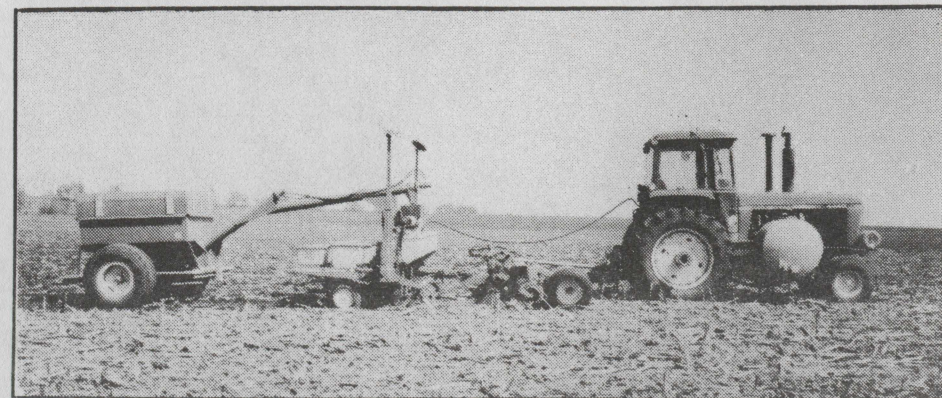
REAP Forestry/Native Grasses

FY 90-91 Balance Brought Forward		\$ -0-
Cancel Projects	+1200.00	
3-1-92 Recalled to State	-1200.00	
Remaining June 30, 1992		\$ -0-

FY 91-92 Original Allocation		\$ 1,634.00
Spent in FY 92	- 999.89	
Remaining June 30, 1992		\$ 634.11

REVOLVING FUND

Balance 7/1/91		\$ 751.97
Minus - Education items, prizes, camps	\$ 178.42	
IASWCD & NACD Dues	\$ 1,050.00	
Sales Tax for '90	\$ 93.98	
Purchase Flags	\$ 46.86	
Purchase Trees	\$ 1,173.94	
Annual Report printing	\$ 1,733.11	
Nursery License	\$ 25.00	
RC&D DONation	\$ 30.00	
Office Supplies	\$ 756.73	
Plus-Reimbursement from IM Fund		\$ 481.60
Sales of Trees, Scales, Flags		
Grass Seed, Calendar Ads, Savings, Misc.	\$ 4,010.59	
Balance 6/30/92		\$ 155.90



There was a dramatic increase of no-till and ridge till acres in Delaware County for 1992 crop year.

Banner Conservation Year in Delaware County

"1992 was a banner year for soil and water conservation in Delaware County. Soil conservation practices were applied on more acres than in any past years," says Keith Krause, District Conservationist for the Soil Conservation Service.

Conservation tillage increased by about ten percent with a significant increase in the areas of no-till and ridge till. Contour farming showed a 30% increase for 2552 acres of contours installed. Several farmers did an excellent job of installing their own contour lines. There also was a high interest in waterways for 1992. With many producers shaping and seeding down waterways as part of their FSA compliance plan. Over 113,000 ft. of field borders or grassed headlands were installed. Terrace installation increased by 46% with over 51,000 feet of terraces installed on eroding cropland.

The SWCD also was able to use monies allocated from the REAP program for contour strip cropping systems (535 acres) terraces, erosion control structures, farmstead windbreaks, and tree plantings.

Nine producers were assisted with the establishment of farmstead windbreaks and assistance was provided to 54 acres of tree planting. In total over 19,300 acres of cropland were benefited by the installation of conservation practices this past year.

"I'm pleased with the progress made in conservation. The improvements are visible around the county and the payoffs will be long lasting. The increase in conservation is due in a large part to landowners fulfilling their requirements of the 1985 and 1990 farm bills," says Krause. The legislation required farmers to reduce erosion from highly erodible land in exchange for USDA benefits. With the conservation practices that were installed this year there's no doubt that many farmers are making efforts to do even a better job of taking care of their land. Krause says, "These people should be congratulated for that."

Conservation Accomplishments

October 1, 1991 to September 30, 1992

	No.	Acres/Feet
New District Cooperators	22	2,645
Individuals & Groups Assisted	938	
Individuals & Groups Applying		
Conservation Practices	418	
Conservation Plans		15,984 ac.
Conservation Cropping Systems		19,203 ac.
Conservation Tillage Systems		8,688 ac.
Contour Farming		2,552 ac.
Farmstead & Feedlot Windbreak		9 ac.
Field Border		113,467 ft.
Grassed Waterways		152 ac.
Contour Stripcropping		535 ac.
Terraces		51,825 ft.
Tree Planting		54 ac.
Water & Sediment Control Basins	14	
Wildlife Upland Habitat Management		161 ac.
Wildlife Wetland Development		6 ac.
Cropland Acres Treated		19,299 ac.
Conservation Reserve Program		
Total No. & Acres to date (10/1/91)	281	14,520 ac.
Follow-up with Conservation		
Compliance Plans	597	
Acres in Conservation Compliance		26,114 ac.



Contour stripcropping and grassed waterways protect the land and provide an excellent option for conservation compliance. Over 500 acres of contour strips were applied by Delaware County farms last year.

District Activities

July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992

July	- Eric Wahl was appointed as assistant commissioner and appointed as the Delaware SWCD representative on the RC&D Committee.
August	- Robin Gudenkauf started working as a WAE to help in the field and in the office.
September	- Fall Regional was attended by Calonder, McGrane, Eibey, and Krause.
November	- Calonder, Lueken, Beaudine and Krause attended the Downlink Program - Commissioner Leadership Development Training "Creative Thinking in Breaking the Time and Money Barriers." - RC&D was named Limestone Bluffs Resource Conservation and Development Area.
December	- Knipper attended Annual Conference in Des Moines
January	- Officers for '92 are: Chairman - Marvin Calonder, Vice-Chairman - Arnold Lueken, Secretary/Treasurer-Marilyn Beaudine, Assistant Commissioners-Harvey Robinson, Vernon Schmock, Marvin Schulte and Eric Wahl. - Annual Report was mailed out. - Reviewed and updated Delaware SWCD Management Practices Rules. - Eastern Iowa Tillage Show attendees and workers were Calonder, Eibey, and McGrane.
March	- Spring Regional attendees were McGrane and Krause. - Calonder and Krause attended the Annual Chamber of Commerce Ag-Businessman luncheon to present the Conservation Farmer award for 1991. - Crop Residue Kits were distributed around the county to co-ops, etc
April	- Tree Sales in the county went very well. - Forestry Field Day for Delaware County was held at the Kim Harbaugh farm and Dick Retz farm.
May	- Chad Kehrli started work in the office as a volunteer. - District purchased a Crop Residue Kit for each Vo-Ag dept. at our county schools. - Soil Stewardship Materials were distributed to the churches and libraries.
June	- A Twilight Tillage Meeting was held.

1993 Delaware Soil & Water Conservation District Tree Sales Program

American Arborvitae 12-18" 5/pkg \$10.00 - Dense, pyramidal evergreen shrub. Attractive dark green foliage. Hardy, ideal for windbreaks in a variety of soils. Scalelike leaves $\frac{1}{8}$ - $\frac{1}{4}$ " long, fanlike sprays.

Blue Spruce 12-18" 5/pkg. \$7.00 - Beautiful blue green foliage. Very ornamental. Needles 1- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " long.

Native Nut Tree Package 12/pkg. \$35.00 - Value of \$97.50

3 - Thomas Walnut 2-3'

3-Northern Pecan 2-3'

3- Butternut 2-3'

3-Hazelnut 12-18"

Norway Spruce 18-24" 25/pkg. \$38.00 - Fast growing, well shaped trees for windbreaks or Xmas trees. Needles $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ " long.

Scotch Pine 18-24" 25/pkg. \$38.00 - Excellent Xmas trees. Very adaptable to wide range of sites. Needles 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 3" long, bundles of 2.

White Pine 12-18" 25/pkg. \$35.00 - NE Iowa native, excellent for timber, windbreak, and Xmas trees. Needles 2-4" long, in bundles of 5.

Butternut 2-3' 5/pkg. \$18.00 - transplant well, bear fruit at a young age and have the ability to succeed in poor soils.

Red Oak 2-3' 25/pkg. \$38.00 - dense, lustrous green foliage turns a deep red in the fall. Grows best in sandy to rich loamy soil in full sun. Fastest growing of all oaks.

Scales \$3.50 ea. - Pocket size measuring scales to use on SCS soil maps or ASCS aerial photos.

Marking Flags \$0.10 ea. or \$10.00 per 100 - 4x5" marking flags, 36" steel staff.

Above are the trees available for 1993 spring planting season from the DELAWARE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT. All are hardy, bare root seedlings adapted to this area. If you have any questions or would like recommendations according to soil type, correct spacing, etc., please call, write, or stop in. **ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM JANUARY 1, 1993 to February 26, 1993.**

TREE ORDER BLANK (There is no survival guarantee on stock sold at these prices.)

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

ITEM	No. Pkgs.	Price

Make Checks Payable to & Mail to:
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Order Total	
Add 5% Sales Tax	
Total Order Cost	